GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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CASHEW PLANTATION
SRIKANTA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total hectares of land brought under cashew plantation in various cashew growing States during Eighth Plan period;

(b) whether the Government propose to increase the areas under cashew plantation during the Ninth Plan;

(c) if so, the specific plan formulated by different cashew growing States; and

(d) the assistance extended by the Union Government and proposed to be sanctioned to those States for cashew plantation?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN)

(a) A total area of 62,065 hectares has been brought under cashew plantation in various cashew growing states in the VIIIth Plan Period.

(b) Yes Sir.

(c) The Centrally sponsored scheme for all cashew growing states aims to cover an area of 87,000 ha by the end of the IXth Plan.

(d) So far the Union Government has extended an assistance of Rs.35.60 crores during the IX Plan out of the proposed provision of Rs.70 crores for the Plan Period.